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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICATION OF)
STEFFEN HOFACKER ET AL) GROUP: 1711
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/054,558) EXAMINER: M.D. BISSETT
FILED: JANUARY 22, 2002)
TITLE: PROTECTIVE COVERING WITH)
A TWO-LAYER COATING BUILDUP)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 6, 2004 and Advisory Action dated October 14, 2004, Applicants hereby submit a Request for Continued Examination, Petition for Extension of Time, and the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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